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RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Sir:

In response to the Restriction Requirement dated April 28, 2005, Applicants submit the following Response to Restriction Requirement. Please amend the application as provided below.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 10 of this paper.

Conclusion begins on page 12 of this paper.

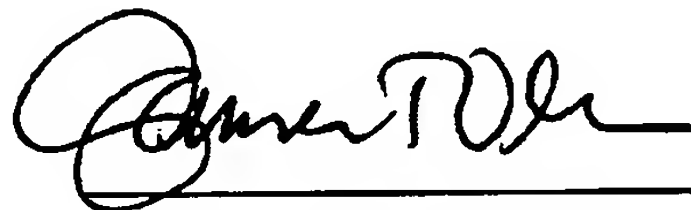
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CONCLUSION

This Response is timely filed on Tuesday May 31, 2005 because the one month deadline for responding to the May 28, 2005 Restriction Requirement occurred on a Saturday over the Memorial Day weekend holiday.

No fees are believed to be due at this time. However, if such a fee is due or a credit is owed, please make them to our Deposit Account No. 08-0219. If there are any questions, please contact the undersigned at the telephone number indicated below.

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